



STATE OF MICHIGAN
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
LANSING

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STAFF REVIEW OF INITIATIVE PETITION

SPONSOR: Stop Overspending (SOS), 18530 Mack Avenue #353, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan 48236.

DATE OF FILING: July 10, 2006.

NUMBER OF VALID SIGNATURES REQUIRED: 317,757 signatures.

TOTAL FILING: 65,591 sheets containing 503,360 signatures.

SIGNATURE SAMPLE

NOT INCLUDED IN SAMPLE: 473 sheets; 2,292 signatures.

	<u>Sheets</u>	<u>Signatures</u>
Circulator certificate defective:	294	1,819
County of circulation entry defective:	19	161
All signatures on sheet crossed out or invalid:	125	60
Mutilated/improperly photocopied sheets:	35	252
	<hr/> 473	<hr/> 2,292

INCLUDED IN SAMPLE: 65,118 sheets containing 501,068 signatures.

SAMPLE SIZE: 3,872 signatures.

SAMPLE RESULT: 3,096 valid signatures; 776 invalid signatures.

Valid signatures

Registered signers: 3,096

Invalid signatures

Facially defective signatures: 128

Signatures determined invalid due to signer's registration status: 648

Total 3,872

CHALLENGE

TOTAL NUMBER OF SAMPLED SIGNATURES QUESTIONED UNDER CHALLENGE: 1,383 sampled signatures.

ANALYSIS OF CHALLENGE: 528 challenged signatures discounted under sampling process (“overlaps”); 119 challenges rejected; 736 invalid signatures (includes 606 “duplicate” signatures).

SAMPLE RESULT AFTER PROCESSING CHALLENGE: 2,359 valid signatures; 1,513 invalid signatures.

Total number of signatures sampled:	3,872
Signatures discounted under sampling process:	- 776
Signatures discounted under challenge:	- 736
Total valid:	2,360*

* Minimum number of valid signatures needed: 2,456.

FINAL RESULT

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF VALID SIGNATURES CONTAINED ON PETITION: 305,403 signatures.

RECOMMENDATION: Determine petition insufficient.